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274 NEW COVID CASES, 7 ADDITIONAL DEATHS IN ALLEGANY COUNTY

CUMBERLAND, MD – The Allegheny County Health Department reports 274 new cases of COVID-19 and 7 additional deaths. This brings Allegheny County’s cumulative total number of cases to 2,183, with a total of 47 deaths from COVID-19.

Currently, Allegheny County’s case rate is 145.46 per 100,000 population compared to the state average of 35.05 per 100,000. Allegheny County’s current positivity rate is 14.89%, while the statewide average is slightly less than half that amount at 7.17%.

More than 2,000 people have taken advantage of the free drive-thru COVID-19 testing available at the Allegheny County Fairgrounds. Testing continues to be offered on Mondays from 2 to 7 p.m. and on Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment, insurance or doctor’s order is required.

Health officials are stressing the seriousness of this pandemic and the danger it poses to the community. Everyone should take COVID-19 precautions seriously to protect the most vulnerable among us. Making simple adjustments like choosing to stay home for the holidays instead of traveling, getting take-out at restaurants instead of dining in, calling friends and family instead of visiting in person, and adhering to public health directives for masking, social distancing, and avoiding social gatherings can help protect you and your family and reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community. For more information on recommendations for holiday celebrations, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html>.

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